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For:

NUCLEIC ACID AND AMINO ACID SEQUENCES RELATING TO BACTEROIDES FRAGILIS FOR DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPEUTICS

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been [] established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Х	\$42	\$				
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[X] A general authorization is hereby granted to charge Deposit Account No. 08-0380 for any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 in order to maintain pendency of this application. A copy of this authorization is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated May 6, 2002, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-13), drawn to polynucleotides, vectors, host cells containing same, methods of expression of nucleic acids and as vaccine compositions, are hereby elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

Responsive to the requirement for an election of a sequence, Applicant hereby elects nucleic acid sequence SEQ ID NO:4084 encoding the polypeptide sequence SEQ ID NO:9306.